

OREGON SHEEP AND GOATS

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Oregon and US January 1 Sheep Inventory

Oregon sheep and lamb inventory totaled 215,000 head on January 1, 2011, down 10,000 head from the previous year. The market flock decreased 4,000 head to 67,000. The breeding flock inventory decreased by 6,000 head, with 118,000 ewes, 7,000 rams, and 23,000 replacement lambs. The 2010 lamb crop totaled 154,000 lambs, a decrease of 1 percent from the previous lamb crop. The lambing rate was 127 percent. Wool production totaled 1.12 million pounds during 2010, down less than one percent. The average fleece weight was 6.4 pounds. The average price was 86 cents per pound, up 20 cents from the previous year. The total value of wool production was \$963,000, up 29 percent from 2009.

United States sheep and lamb inventory totaled 5.53 million head on January 1, 2011, down 2 percent from 2010. Breeding sheep inventory decreased to 4.12 million head on January 1, 2011, down 2 percent from 4.19 million head on January 1, 2010. Ewes one year old and older, at 3.26 million head, were 2 percent below last year. Market sheep and lambs on January 1, 2011, totaled 1.42 million head, down 1 percent from January 1, 2010. Market lambs comprised 94 percent of the total marketings. Twenty-seven percent were lambs less than 65 pounds, 12 percent were 65 - 84 pounds, 21 percent were 85 - 105 pounds, and 34 percent were over 105 pounds. Market sheep comprised the remaining 6 percent of total marketings. The 2010 lamb crop of 3.60 million head was down 2 percent from 2009. The 2010 lambing rate was 108 percent, unchanged from 2009. Shorn wool production in the United States during 2010 was 30.6 million pounds, down 1 percent from 2009. The average price was \$1.15 per pound for a total value of 35.3 million dollars, up 45 percent from 24.3 million dollars in 2009.

Sheep: Inventory and lamb crop, selected states and United States, January 1, 2011

State	All sheep			Breeding sheep			Total market sheep and lambs
	2010	2011	2011 / 2010	Ewes 1 yr. and older	Total sheep and lambs	2010 Lamb crop ¹	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
California	610	610	100	283	340	270	270
Idaho	220	235	107	153	185	205	50
Montana	245	230	94	170	215	225	15
Oregon	225	215	96	118	148	154	67
Washington	60	56	93	36	46	54	10
United States	5,620	5,530	98	3,255	4,115	3,600	1,415

¹ Lamb crop is defined as lambs born in the Eastern States and lambs docked or branded in the Western States.

Angora, Milk, Meat and Other Goat Inventory

Oregon goat and kid inventory totaled 38,200 head on January 1, 2011, a decrease of 7 percent from the previous year. Angora goat inventory increased 200 head to 2,100. Milk goat inventory remained steady at 9,100 head. Meat and other goat inventory decreased 10 percent to 27,000 head.

All goat inventory in the United States on January 1, 2011, totaled 3.00 million head, down 1 percent from 2010. Breeding goat inventory totaled 2.49 million head, down 1 percent from 2010. Does one year old and older, at 1.84 million head, were 1 percent below last year's number. Market goats and kids totaled 514,000 head, down 1 percent from a year ago. The kid crop for 2010 totaled 1.91 million head for all goats, down 2 percent from 2009. Meat and all other goats totaled 2.47 million head on January 1, 2011, down 2 percent from 2010. Milk goat inventory increased to 360,000 head, 1 percent above January 1, 2010, while Angora goats were up 7 percent, totaling 172,000 head. Mohair production in the United States during 2010 was 1.09 million pounds. Goats and kids clipped totaled 181,000 head. Average weight per clip was 6.0 pounds. Mohair price was \$3.49 per pound with a value of 3.79 million dollars.

Goats: Inventory by class, selected states and United States, January 1, 2011

State	Angora goats		Milk goats		Meat and other goats		Total	
	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011
	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>	<i>Head</i>
California	3,500	3,500	38,000	38,000	93,000	100,000	134,500	141,500
Idaho			2,800	3,500	13,000	12,700	15,800	16,200
Oregon	1,900	2,100	9,100	9,100	30,000	27,000	41,000	38,200
Washington	1,000		7,300	8,500	22,000	26,000	30,300	34,500
United States	161,000	172,000	356,000	360,000	2,521,000	2,468,000	3,038,000	3,000,000

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